

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 250

By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Adrian Scott King, 2007
Salutatorian of Ridgeway High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Adrian Scott King is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2007 graduating class at Ridgeway High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Adrian Scott King has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. King has earned an exemplary 5.1163 grade point average while participating in many extracurricular activities, including the Science Olympiad, New Life Community Church, From the Ground Up, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Phillips Andover Academy Alumni, Memphis Rotary Prep Program, Youth United Way, Business Professionals of America, and the Ridgeway Lacrosse Team; and

WHEREAS, a natural leader despite his young age, Mr. King has served as NLCC Audio/Visual Technician, Sophomore Class Vice President, Mu Alpha Theta Vice President, Senior Class President, Ridgeway Lacrosse Team Manager, and NLCC Youth Leader; he has also been involved in the HOBY Tennessee Leadership Conference, the Youth United Way, and the Ridgeway Leadership Council; and

WHEREAS, despite all of his worthy scholastic and extracurricular pursuits, Mr. King also finds time to give back to his community; he has been involved in such efforts as Habitat for Humanity, volunteering for the Assisted Living Home, tutoring for AP Chemistry, Shoebox Christmas, and the DARE Drug and Violence Program; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Mr. King has won the Honors Geometry Builder Award, the Honors English Builder Award, the Science Olympiad Medal, the William H. Sweet Award, the Phillips Andover Academy Director's Award, the AP Chemistry Builder Award, and the Honors Pre-Calculus Builder Award; he also had the highest GPA for ninth grade, has been mentioned in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, has been named Friendliest, Most Intellectual, one of Memphis's Best and Brightest, and Mr. Junior, and was a National Achievement Semi-Finalist, BPA Regional First Place Winner, and BPA State Second Place Winner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at Washington University; and

WHEREAS, Adrian Scott King's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Alvin Jerrel King and Cora Lee King, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. King's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2007 Ridgeway High School Salutatorian, Adrian Scott King, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.